

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR GAS FILLING  
AND SEALING OF A DUCT INTENDED TO  
BE FILLED WITH GAS AND POSITIONED IN  
A CONTAINER OF A COLLAPSIBLE TYPE,  
AND CONTAINER BLANK COMPRISING  
SUCH A DUCT

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Examiner: P. R. Durand

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated January 9, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-7, 9, and 12-18, the period for reply having been extended to June 9, 2009, with a petition for two (2) month extension filed herewith, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.